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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

DOUCEUR et al.

Group Art Unit: 2157

Serial No. 09/354,970

Examiner: NGUYEN, D.

Filed: July 16, 1999

For: Method and System for Regulating  
Background Tasks Using Performance  
Measurements

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This communication is a response to an Office action dated July 17, 2003  
(hereinafter "the Office action"). Please consider the following remarks, which applicants  
submit places the case either in condition for allowance or in better form for appeal.  
Applicants further submit that these remarks do not raise any new issues that would require  
further consideration and/or search.